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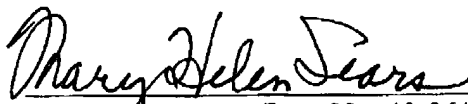
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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR SPECIES
ELECTION MAILED MARCH, 30 2004

In response to the Requirement for Election of Species mailed March 30, 2004,
Applicants hereby elect category (a) of the action, "Antigen characteristics of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. All elected claims 1-8 and nonelected Claim 9 are each readable upon this elected species.

Respectfully submitted,


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